COPYRIGHT: SHOULD MEDIA MATTER? (HOW MUCH?)

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Copyright has a long history of adapting, but often with contentious periods of transition, to encompass changes in technology. Over the past decade or so, the ease of copying materials in digital form has continued to exacerbate the historical tensions between copyright proprietors and users of copyrighted materials. The debate is far from over. To what extent can we continue to rely on traditional notions that evolved in an analog, paper-based world? Can national principles such as "fair use" (e.g., noncommercial copying of portions of a work purposes of research or criticism) and the first-sale doctrine (e.g., that allows public libraries to lend books without permission from the publisher) endure in the digital Global Information Infrastructure? Should they?

This panel will explore these and other issues related to copyrighted works in electronic form, including the intellectual property implications of international electronic commerce initiatives. There will be ample time for audience participation and discussion.

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